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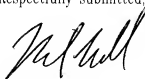
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Sir:

Please inform the undersigned of the status of the above-identified patent application. The application was filed on December 19, 2005 and to date the undersigned has not received an Office Action.

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